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SUBJECT: SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION BICENTENNIAL EXHIBIT - REQUEST
FOR EMBASSY ASSISTANCE

1. THE AMBASSADOR HAS RECEIVED A LETTER FROM S. DILLION
RIPLEY, SECRETARY OF THE SMITHSONIAN, REQUESTING EMBASSY
ASSISTANCE IN CONTACTING THE GDR MFA AND STATE LIBRARY TO
FACILITATE APPROVAL OF THE LOAN OF ONE HUNDRED DOCUMENTS
FOR SHOWING BY THE SMITHSONIAN TRAVELING EXHIBITION
SERVICE (SITES) IN SIX U.S. MUSEUMS ON A ONE-YEAR TOUR
UNDER ITS BICENTENNIAL "INTERNATIONAL SALUTE TO THE STATES."

2. THE SMITHSONIAN HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH DR. KARL-HEINZ
KOEHLER OF THE STATE LIBRARY AND ADVISES THAT "IT APPEARS
THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE GDR WOULD BE RECEPTIVE TO
ALLOWING THE LOAN IF THE REQUEST CAME THROUGH DIPLOMATIC
CHANNELS."

3. THE EMBASSY ASSUMES THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS INFORMED
OF THE SMITHSONIAN'S EXHIBITION PLANS AND HAS NO OBJECTION
TO EMBASSY FACILITATION OF THE LOAN AS REQUESTED
AND ON THE PATTERN ALREADY ESTABLISHED WITH REGARD
TO THE LOANS REQUESTED BY THE NATIONAL GALLERY.
UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT ADVISES OTHERWISE, THE
EMBASSY PLANS TO CONTACT THE GDR MFA AS REQUESTED
AND TO FOLLOW UP ON FACILITATION OF THE LOAN. IN
CONNECTION WITH THE APPROACH, THE QUESTION OF RECI-
PROCITY FOR POSSIBLE FUTURE U.S. EXHIBITS WILL BE
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4. PLEASE ADVISE. COOPER

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